



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

with UCC Westerly

May 8, 2022 @ 9:45am

IN-PERSON and

Broadcast live from our sanctuary

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4th Sunday of Easter-tide

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!

Gathering Music –

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PASTOR’S WELCOME

PRELUDE – "Be Thou But Near"

by J.S. Bach, arranged by David Paxton, ©2002 by Lorenz Publishing Company. Used by Permission. CCLI Copyright License 21022161. CCLI# 3697766.

DEACON’S WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *Excerpts from Psalm 23*

One: You prepare a table before me ... my cup overflows.

All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

One: And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

All: My whole life long.

OPENING HYMN -- *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

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UNISON PRAYER OF REFLECTION

[adapted from *Calling on God*, Bankson & Sokolove, Eds. ©2014, Skylight Paths Publishing. p. 183]

God of forgiveness and new beginnings, we give you thanks for this new day, for opening our eyes to each new morning, for reminding us that Christ is always Risen. We give you thanks for sunshine and for rain, for morning and evening, for starlight and moonlight. We give you thanks for simple meals and extravagant feasts, for music and dancing, for silence and solitude, for hugs from friends and smiles from strangers. We give you thanks for all the moments that fill our lives, filling us with healing hope when both are needed so much. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE MORNING MESSAGE

Scripture Reading: Romans 16:1-7

Message – *Saving Junia ... and Us*

Meditation Music - "Happy the Home When God Is There"

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A TIME OF PRAYER

Pastoral Prayers & Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer in whatever words are most comfortable for you.
Musical Response

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM - "The Gift of Love" English Melody Performed by the Tone Chimes Choir
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Acknowledgement of Gifts & Offerings*

Doxology: [©Public Domain]

*"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all creatures here
below; Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter; One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen."*

CLOSING HYMN -- *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

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A PRAYER OF BENEDICTION

[taken from *Touch Holiness*, Duck & Tirabassi, Eds.©1990, The Pilgrim Press, p. 242]

Holy One ... Like a rock, be under our feet. Like a roof, be over our heads. Like the horizon, be beyond us, to encourage our stretching. Like water in a pitcher, be within us and in the pouring out of us. Like a pebble in the sea, may we find ourselves totally immersed as life flows by.

Amen.

Sung Response – Let There Be Peace on Earth

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*Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other, in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE – "To Greet the Morning"

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## **Romans 16:1-7**

I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deacon of the church at Cenchreae, so that you may welcome her in the Lord as is fitting for the saints, and help her in whatever she may require from you, for she has been a benefactor of many and of myself as well. Greet Prisca and Aquila, who work with me in Christ Jesus, and who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles. Greet also the church in their house. Greet my beloved Epaenetus, who was the first convert in Asia for Christ. Greet Mary, who has worked very hard among you. Greet Andronicus and Junia, my relatives who were in prison with me; they are prominent among the apostles, and they were in Christ before I was.